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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

APPLICANTS: Chapman *et al.*  
U.S. SERIAL NO: 10/055,143      Examiner: Ulrike Winkler  
FILING DATE: January 22, 2002      Art Unit: 1648  
FOR: METHOD FOR PURIFYING A BIOLOGICAL COMPOSITION

**Mail Stop RCE**  
Commissioner for Patents  
P. O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION UNDER 37 CFR § 1.114**

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR § 1.114 of the above-identified application. Enclosed herein are the following:

1. Response to June 27, 2005 Office Action (8 pgs);
2. Petition for Extension of Time (1 pg);
3. Check No. 21739 in the amount of \$1,020.00 to cover extension fee;
4. Check No. 21740 in the amount of \$790.00 to cover request for continued examination; and
5. Return Postcard.

Included with this request are the required elements of 1) a request (this document); 2) a submission; and 3) a fee. The submission provided is an Amendment and Response. With such a timely filed request, submission and fee, Applicants request that the amendment should be entered and the finality of the Action should be withdrawn.

Applicants also submit a Petition for a Three-Month Extension of Time along with the required fee. With the extension, these documents are due on or before December 27, 2005.

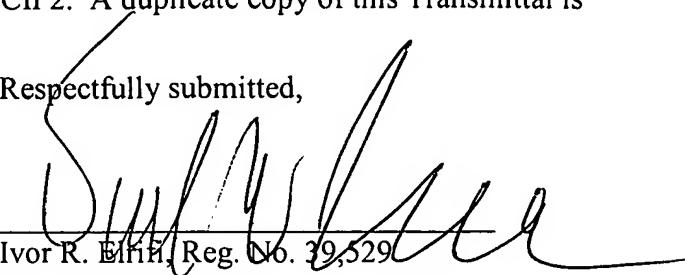
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No additional fees are believed due. However, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees that may be due, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Reference No. 18242-508CIP2. A duplicate copy of this Transmittal is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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